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THIRD STREET, BY POST OFFICE

CLARKSBURG GETS MEDAL

For Being the All-Around Champion in Gymnastics at Washington and Lee University.

Daniel Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Alexander, of this city, writes home from Washington and Lee University, at Lexington, Va., describing a gymnastic game between the team at that institution and that of the Virginia Military Institute played a day or so ago. Washington and Lee won the game by more than 100 points, and Mr. Alexander was presented with the all-round championship medal for the best all-round gymnastic performer. It came as a great surprise to him. The judge of the game was from Washington, D. C., so that there were no local prejudices in favor of Washington and Lee. The many friends here of the young man congratulate him upon his success and the honor he has so justly merited.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Transfers of real estate have been made as follows:
R. A. Beeghly to J. S. Bailey, 37 acres, Union district.
B. F. Shuttleworth to Frank Shuttleworth, 1 lot, Thompson street, city.
John Righter and W. H. Manley trustees of Adamsville church, to Elizabeth Ann Shinn, 1 lot, Adamsville.
Riverview Development Company to James Coffman, 1 lot, Lumberport.
E. L. and George B. Coffman to James T. Coffman, 121 acres, Eagle district.
Shinnston Development Company to A. W. Mason, 1 lot, Shinnston.
John N. Cottrill to Joseph B. McGinnis, 3 lots, Quiet Dell.

BURIAL OF CHILD.

The funeral of Okey Hall, little son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Cross, was held at the residence at Adamston at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon and the interment was in the Pitts cemetery at Wilsonburg.

TRAIN RAN LATE.

New York and St. Louis express train No. 3, ran an hour late Wednesday night owing to the fact that the engine became detached from the train shortly after it left Parkersburg. It arrived here about 10:30 o'clock.

BIG FIRE LOSS.

By Associated Press.
Kansas City, Mo., March 24—Fire in the Jones Brothers Dry Goods Store here to-day, caused by lightning, made a loss of \$130,000. The property was insured.

ENGLISH AUTHOR DEAD.

By Associated Press.
London, March 24—Sir Edwin Arnold, author, died to-day, aged 72 years.

POLITE CLERKS.

Are a success to any store to show goods liberally, and let the people see them.

anxious to show goods if you buy or not. mar25-1t.

Leave your order for cut flowers of all kinds for Easter at Nussbaum's Book Store, 308 Main street. mar24-d6t-wit.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, CITY OF CLARKSBURG, To Wit:

I, Will H. Cole, City Clerk, do certify that the following nominations for public office have been certified to me and filed in said clerk's office, viz:—

CITY OF CLARKSBURG.

Democratic Ticket.

For Mayor,
SAMUEL W. GORDON.

For Chief of Police,
HARRY L. BROOKS.

For City Clerk,
WALKER T. SUTTON.

For Superintendent of Streets,
PATRICK J. KEENAN.

For Commissioner of Water Works,
HUGH CALLAGHAN.

For Collector and Treasurer,
JOHN R. STEEL.

For Assessor,
JOHN W. COFFMAN.

For School Commissioner,
DANIEL W. BOUGHNER.

COURT CLOSES

Special Term of Harrison County Circuit Court Ended—Closing Orders Herein Reported.

The special term of circuit court, held by Judge Charles W. Lynch closed late Thursday afternoon.

Sale of property was confirmed in the case of James Price, committee, against Peter Price, a lunatic, and others.

In the case of George F. Randall against Benjamin F. Randall, on an application for the appointment of a committee, an order was entered correcting a former order so as to make the committee's name read "Eugene F. Randall" instead of "Eugenius E. Randall."

The report of the partitioners in the case of M. G. Sperry against Mary C. Swiger and others, was confirmed and allotments of land decreed.

MUCH GAS

Struck in the Gordon in the Hall Well, Near Lewis County Line.

In this county near the Lewis county line, the South Penn Company has drilled its test well on the W. H. Hall farm into the Gordon sand and has developed a strong gas pressure. It will be drilled to the fifth sand and is expected to make an oil producer in the lower formation. In the same district the Crude Oil Company is drilling two more wells on the W. L. Hall farm.

East of the old Camden development, in Lewis county, the eRaerve Gas Company has given its test on the Mary C. Alfred farm a fair test in the salt sand and is convinced it is a failure, and is now drilling it to the lower sands.

In the Folsom district, in this county, the South Penn has drilled its No. 3 on the Mary Bennett farm into the Gordon eight feet and had developed a good showing of oil when the boiler blew up and operations had to be suspended.

In the same district, the South Penn's Nos. 3 and 4 on the C. E. Robinson farm are holding up at 220 and 230 barrels respectively; Wesley Robinson Nos. 3 and 4 are producing 110 and 102 barrels, respectively; Jesse Ascraft No. 2 is holding up at 225 barrels and J. W. Looman No. 2 at 190 barrels.

TO GREATER BALTIMORE

The March Number Book of the Royal Blue A Souvenir of the Great Fire. The entire March edition of the "Book of the Royal Blue," published by the Passenger department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, has been issued as a memento of the disastrous fire of February 7th.

It is dedicated to the future greater Baltimore which will restore the seventy-five business blocks destroyed.

A short concise story of the fire is given, followed by some thirty views of the ruins before the walls were torn down. A full page may of the city shows the location of the burned district.

The magazine is issued as a matter of history, and will be preserved as such. With very few exceptions the burned district now is a pile of broken bricks without any semblance of buildings.

A limited edition of the popular magazine has been issued and copies may be obtained on immediate application to D. B. Martin, Manager Passenger Traffic, Baltimore & Ohio railroad, enclosing 10 cents in postage to include the cost of mailing.

M. A. Nussbaum has gone east in the interests of his new stores, 134 and 136 Third street. mar24-1t.

CITY OF CLARKSBURG.

Citizens Ticket.

For Mayor,
SAMUEL W. GORDON.

For Chief of Police,
HARRY L. BROOKS.

For City Clerk,
WALKER T. SUTTON.

For Superintendent of Streets,
PATRICK J. KEENAN.

For Commissioner of Water Works,
HUGH CALLAGHAN.

For Collector and Treasurer,
JOHN R. STEEL.

For Assessor,
JOHN W. COFFMAN.

For School Commissioner,
DANIEL W. BOUGHNER.

CITY OF CLARKSBURG.

Republican Ticket.

For Mayor,
PATRICK H. SHIELDS.

For Chief of Police,
JOHN HOWE.

For City Clerk,
WILL H. COLE.

For Superintendent of Streets,
EDWARD DOYLE.

For Commissioner of Water Works,
HUGH CALLAGHAN.

For Collector and Treasurer,
JOHN R. STEEL.

For Assessor,
W. PERRY CAMP.

For School Commissioner,
SAMUEL R. HARRISON.

Given under my hand this 22nd day of March, 1904.

WILL H. COLE, City Clerk.

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Friday, March 25.

Bees, there is Honey,

re crowds there are

who come tomorrow.

its

urns for tomorrow's choosing
Brown, Gun Metal, Navy,
hair line, stripes, brush
and foulard patterns—in Jap

65c, 75c, 85c and \$1.00 a yard

Last day--tomorrow--20 per cent off on China and Table Linens and Napkins.

--and those \$1.50 Quilts for \$1.--if interested, buy all you can, an actual 1.3 saved.

Tomorrow a great day in the millinery store--shipments yesterday, on sale tomorrow of

new tailored street hats

\$1.150, 2, 2.50, 3.

new trimmed hats

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new walking skirts

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